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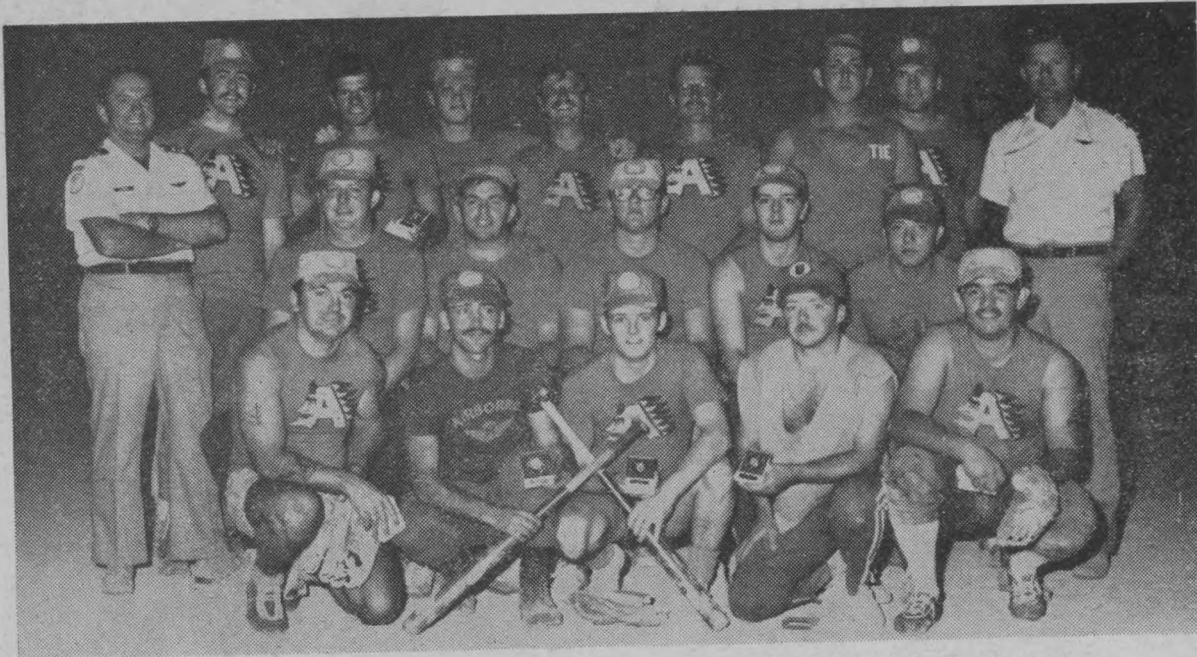
No. 10



BATTALION SPORTS FINALS

THE BIG "A" ALL THE WAY

... SO FAR



Front Row: MCpl D. Gallant, MCpl R. Thibeau, Pte T. Bludd, Pte H. MacDonald, Pte M. Goodwin.

Center Row: MCpl J. Mattinson, WO J. Savoie, Pte G. Corbin, Cpl J. Perrault, Pte D. Bradley.

Rear Row: Maj. C. Jurek, MCpl G. Boyle, Pte G. Sosnoski, Lt. M. Morneault, Capt. L. Hackel, MCpl G. Bannerman, Cpl D. Kelly, Sgt C. McLean, and LCol. L. MacKenzie.

VOLLEYBALL VICTORY AGAINST LOG COY 9 AUG 78



VOLLEYBALL CHAMPS

Front Row: Cpl M. Ward, Pte J. Weatherby, Pte Sim, Pte G. Sosnoski.
Rear Row: Lt. B. Pillar, Cpl J. Perrault, Sgt C. McLean, Lt. M. Morneault, WO J. Savoie.

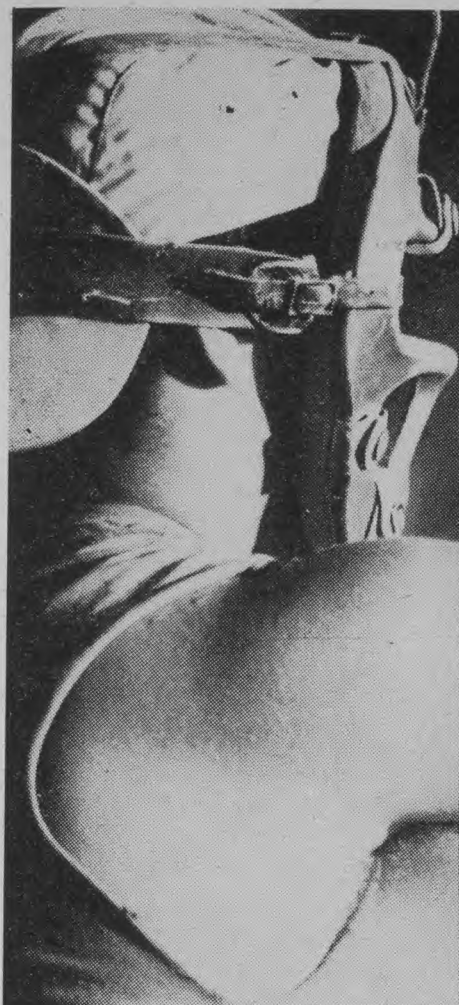
Some people just have all the luck! That's the way it seemed for a jubilant A Coy during the 1 PPCLI Sports Championships played over the last few weeks.

The Softball Championship game, played at the CML Dustbowl, saw B Coy go down in a hard fought 11-12 victory by the big A on 5 Aug 78.

The next A Coy win was over Logistics Coy in the best of five volleyball tournament. The tournament ended after A Coy won three of the four games played.

In a breathtaking Soccer match, it looked as if A Coy would suffer its first defeat against a determined B Coy team. A 1-1 tie was reached by the end of regulation play and it was decided to finalize the match with a penalty shot showdown. Sgt "CB" McLean of A Coy and Pte John MacDonald of B Coy each pitted their goaltending skills against five different players from the opposite team. A Coy came out on top by a narrow margin as the last glimpse of daylight disappeared in the clear summer sky.





HEADQUARTERS CITY SLICKERS



Cpl Steve Mockford, MCpl Brian Hrehorick, Lt Dave Pentney, SGT Gord George and newly promoted SGT Jack Rayner.

SIGS PL — STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN

Lo Lo Lo Lo good buddies t's time once again for everyone's favorite, the Sigs Pl Sitrep. This week's issue will be exciting as usual so stay tuned as we open the "Captains Log" at "Star Date" mid-August 78.

If you wonder why the PI shuts off your power every once in a while, the truth is we don't. When this ghastly condition occurs the good ol' Duty Op is supposed to activate the alternate power supply. You have probably noticed it right behind the CommCen; it looks very similar to a retired steam engine, undoubtedly from the same era. It normally is a very smooth running generator, unless of course you have a power failure. This Gargantuan has reduced many an Op to a limp pile of damp combats trying to start it. So next time you pass the Comm Cen and you hear some strong adjectives of the military vernacular coming from out back, don't panic, it's just the Duty Op shouting encouragement to the alternate powersupply.

Last Saturday saw the PI Troopies off to the pistol range in Dhekelia. The trip en-route was interesting. As usual, the first casualty was M/Cpl Gary Brown's UN cap. It had a misfortune when it flew out of the 1 ton and landed on the white line. When Brown saw a truck swerve into alignment with the hat, he realized it was doomed. In approximately 15 seconds half of the Cyprus highway Kamikazi squad chalked up another victory. Brown is now the only soldier in CanCon whose hat has a neat radial de-

sign complete with blackwall sides.

The next interesting highlight of the trip was the flat tire on the 1 ton. Pte Roger Downey learned it's almost impossible to change a tire on an incline; Unless of course you have a ½ dozen supervisors around to tell you how to it. Later in the trip Roger also learned that there really is quicksand in Cyprus. Once again a ½ dozen supervisors were quick to point this out as the truck disappeared. Finally after a relatively quiet trip, we arrived at the pistol range. With quiet utterances of "Waste'em", "Blow em Away", the PI quickly realized this was a weapon to be reckoned with. The scores are a secret but the experience was invaluable.

The Line Crew was disappointed this week when they discovered there was no market for scrap iron. They will probably rebuild the communication tower now for lack of better things to do with it. Actually, they did a fine job of taking it down under the direction of M/Cpl Tom Wilding who assures us it will be restored in the near future. It will be a little shorter eye sore — but will have a new paint job and a UN flag.

Capt H (as in preparation Hanrahan) has had "PILES" of trouble lately. However, Capt Mike is "Sitting a little easier" now thinking about his upcoming leave in Europe.

Well readers, as our tour sinks into its twilight stage, we shall leave you until next issue.

So remember, keep your antenna down and your contacts clean; good comms.

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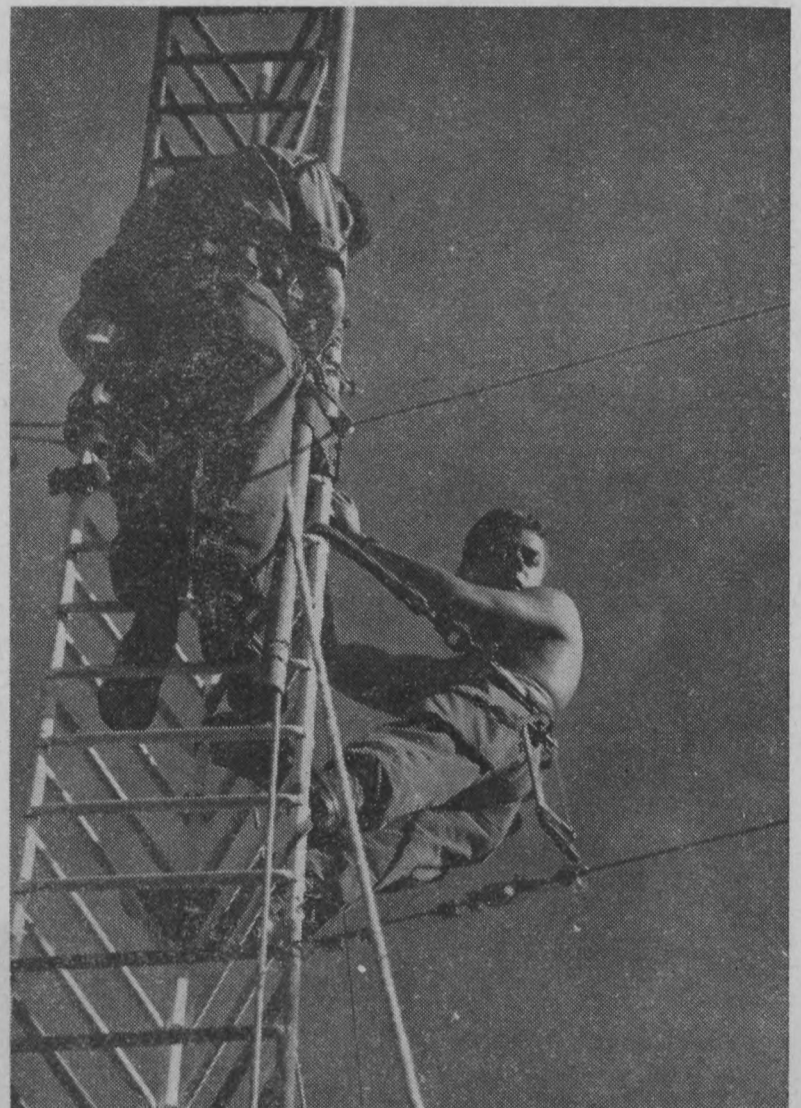
RECCE PL

Here we are again from the eyes and ears. The last couple of weeks have been pretty quiet. There's been a few changes in the platoon and we're slowly sneaking our way back to Canada. MCpl Hrehorick and Cpl Mockford left on our advance party and can now be found in Gagetown on the advance sniper course checking out the terrain for next summer's concentration. Also filtering his way back is Sgt. Rayner. He left the island in style, promoted on Monday and gone on Thursday. Congratulations Jack and good luck on your ADV drivers course. This week sees SGT Gord George filtering his way back to home territory to get himself all warmed up for the combat small arms course.

Scuttle Butt has it that Cpl Dickie Buxton English is going to get made up. He must believe it too because I saw him on his way to the tailor shop this morning. Congratulations Rod; where's my beer?

Last Saturday I saw the platoon knocking the dust from their SMGs in an attempt to qualify. Everyone made it too, with WO "Dead Eye" Rockey Szpitun walking away with the change. That's about it for this week. You can rest easy tonight — the eyes and ears are out there watching over you.

SO LONG



"COULD YOU PASS ME MY HACKSAW, PLEASE?"

An unidentified Brit named Colin and Cpl Bernie Currie.

OPS B INFO

Here we are again doing what we do best! (Passage of info and more exciting rumours).

Just to let you know how we stand on the ground in Ops B; Capt Ray Romses has fled from our hide and is nowhere to be seen. The rumours has it he could be in Germany with his wife. Putting two and two together, we know that the heavy physical training program he has been on will help him out in his extra curricular activities! (GET IT—GOT IT).

Meanwhile, we should be expecting MCpl (Rabbit) Parker back from leave any day now. So keep on your toes men, you could be trapped into a corner anytime now, listening to KTS exciting tales of his leave experiences.

Since Capt Ray Romses left our hide, MCpl Gus Pirie has become acting I/C. If anyone should find his sense of honour please send in to Ops B ASP!! He

now beats his Graphic Artist twice a day, waters his driver, and feeds his photographer rice daily. With two members of Ops B missing CQ; don't be surprised if a stores demand is put in for a few more arms and legs!

Cpl Pat Wells our Ops B driver was assured he has great talent as a driver. He is now sharing his gift with the Battalion as a part time *Duty* driver.

The other day we caught our Graphic Art'st, Cpl (Hotdog) Polupski, talking to himself. We think he has a paper work headache, or should we say a bristol board headache! Fear not Hotdog, for as time passes your headaches will also!

Pte Click Hotchkiss, our young photographer, seems to have a case of mirror infection. One person tells us (name withheld) he caught Pte Dave Hotchkiss taking a picture of himself, with a zoom lens on his camera yet!

What can I say? HELP!!
P.S. Hi Debbie.



"I WONDER WHERE THAT GOES?"

MCpl Gord Sands of the MP Section.



"GLORY BE.... AND IF IT ISN'T A COOK"

SGT N.A. Peters is awarded his UN Cyprus medal by Capt. Les Bailey



SECOND PLACE IN SMG AT UNFICYP COMPETITION

Maj Gen. Quinn congratulates Lt. G. Nordick, Pte D. McClinchey, Pte D. Mullin and Cpl K. Mainville.

THE BIG A



Sgt Lou Pinter at the Nicosia Stadium



Cpl D.G. Sillers is presented his UN Cyprus Medal by Maj C.H. Jurek.

SECOND TO NONE

Hello again from 2 platoon. We have just completed our second to last (not to be confused with our nickname) two weeks on the east end of the line and are about to begin another battle with standby duties.

The past two weeks have been ones that have brought a few changes to our platoon structure. We have had a change in personnel on a "lose extras" exchange system. Pte "Pass the Wine" Rudy has now relieved Pte "Keep on running Jay" Hebert of his job as 2i/c's driver. Didn't Capt Hackel think you were good enough Jay, or does he wear sunglasses for another reason? Asked if he was pleased with the exchange, Pte Rudy was (noted by platoon commander) heard to say, "That means at least I do not have to finish all those extras". Well John, you just made it in time! The extras embargo has been lifted and they are not issued anymore, now it is a verbal warning and after the first verbal all you can do is pray that there is not another.

We welcome Pte Hebert who now is a Maple 1 beach bum and is running close to being in competition with our RSM,

although he is not getting as much time off as he used to. He seems to be readjusting well — he is growing gas mask pouches under his eyelids.

Also, since our last article, four section has been to Kronberg which they named "Peebles Retreat". Sgt Peebles enjoyed two weeks of peace, good food and tranquil music laid on by Pte "Yea Yea" Best. He also enjoyed his nightly news on TV, even though the picture was bad and the words were all Greek to him. It was an hour without music. He was lucky.

Pte "Baby Huey" Coles also had his share of luxuries though the milk run kid left little to be shared. Between his 16 litres of milk per day and one gallon jar of mushrooms, he survived quite well, although it is not known yet what a qualified dietitian would say about the milkmush mixture.

The next two weeks on standby are full as per normal. Along with filling in for missing people in the other platoons, there will be quite a few range classification days and platoon training along with other unmentionables. So there should be a lot more info for next issue. Until then, so long.

SWEAT HOGS

Here is yet another article from 1 platoon, or better known as the Sweat Hogs. Since last article we have made it through another two weeks of stand-by duties and have moved out to the west side of the Buffer Zone. 3 Section has taken up residence at Camp Kronberg, but for some strange reason they all seem restless and anxious to get back to the Ledra Barracks mess hall. This seems strange, to say the least, because all past sections manning Kronberg have not wanted to depart the house of peace and comfort. On further investigation it was discovered that Cpl "Hop Sing" Singer is not the best cook going and maybe that is the reason.

Pte "Sandy" Monette surpri-

sed everyone by taking up the front post of jogging, with Pte "Hoggy Woggy" Irwin right in there behind him. Keep up the good work, guys.

We gained two new replacements (or recruits if you wish) from Canada. Welcome to Cyprus Ptes Sim and Farquharson, but don't worry fellows, it appears that you may get a month extension in Cyprus so that you can get your UN medal. You must wait, the others have not got theirs yet.

Well, only six weeks to go on this rock and everyone is getting anxious. Still one standby left and Nissi Beach is open again so we'll get one last swim before departing.

So long from the elite Sweat Hogs.

CHARLIE'S ANGELS

So they call us Charlie's Angels, eh?... By the looks of things, angels we ain't!! Although most of the men of the elite three have had a chance to sit down and have a "friendly man-to-man chat" with out "Hollywood Cowboy", MWO "Bryl-cream" Baumgarten, morale was at an all time high. Lt "Fast Eddie" Vaillancourt has ordered the hardest working platoon WO in the battalion, Sgt "What, me worry?" Pinter to tame us down as to not outshine our sleazy sister platoons.

With Cpl "Don" Sillers and Pte "Ray" Harley gone, the platoon was very short of men during our recent "standby" tasks. Lots of fun was had by all... MCpl "Good Guy" Holst was away hiding in shame after being beat out of his "Champ"

status in football; Pte "Cherry Boy" Leger was touring the Holy Land in Israel and Sgt "Smiley" Stewart was doing his usual on a swan at the Limassol leave centre.

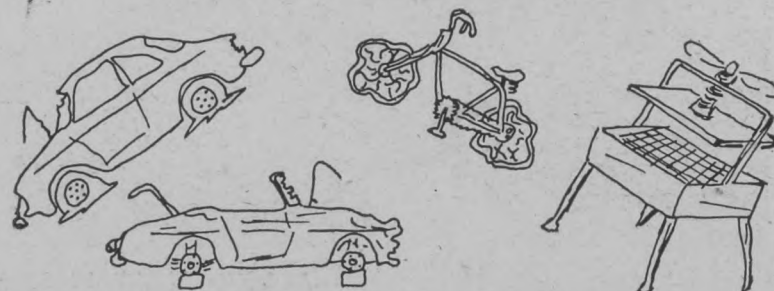
Eager to get back to "front line soldiering", Pte "Robert Redford" Hammond and Pte "Theodore" Freistatter both volunteered to do OP duty with 2 platoon... for some reason, they won't talk about their "experience" with Jamcan 2 platoon.

Many thanks to Pte Don Shelton for his creative art work on Kronberg's "used-to-be" white walls.

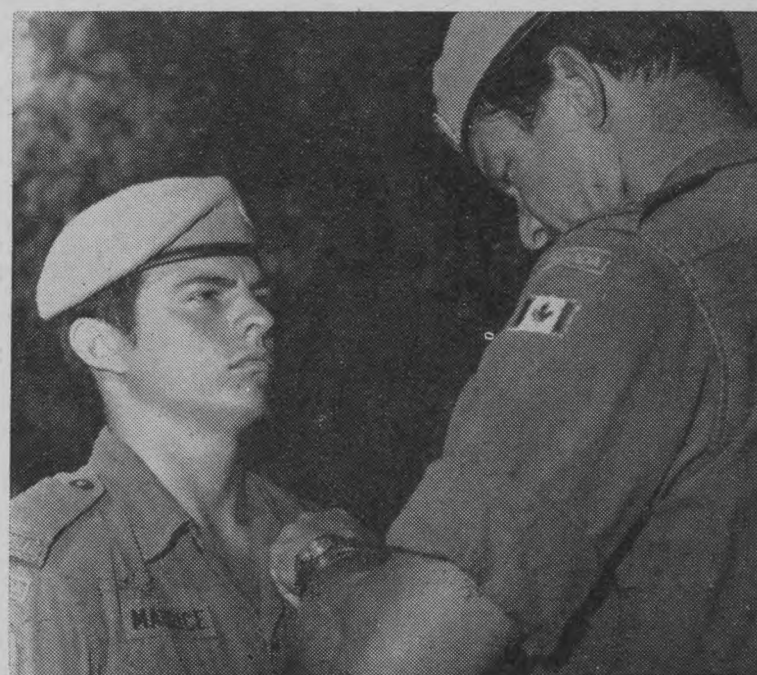
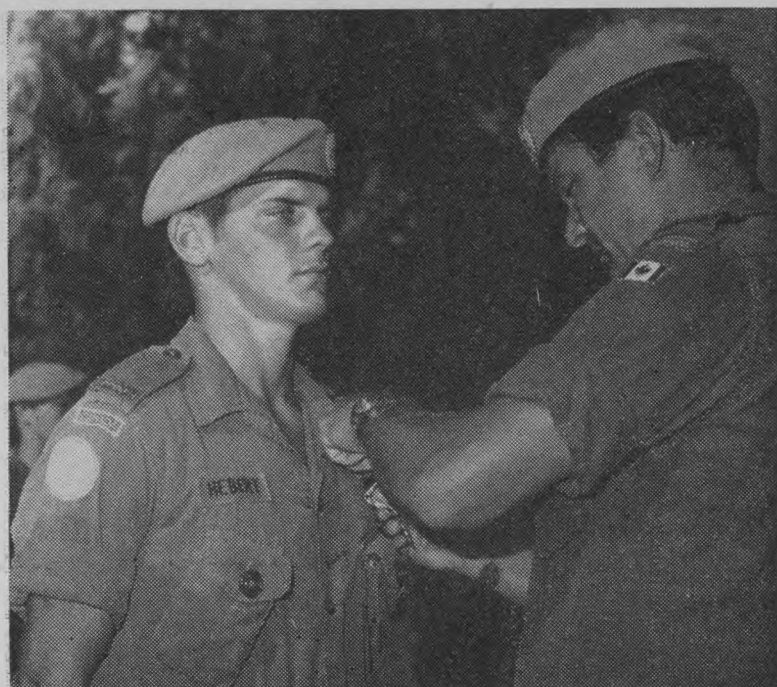
Before we leave you for this week, we'd like to say hi to Pte "Theodore" Haines and Pte "Grunt" Evans who are on leave in some bar somewhere in the world!! See ya.

GUESS WHO?

"SOME SAY THAT I AM THE RICHEST MERCHANT IN NICOSIA"

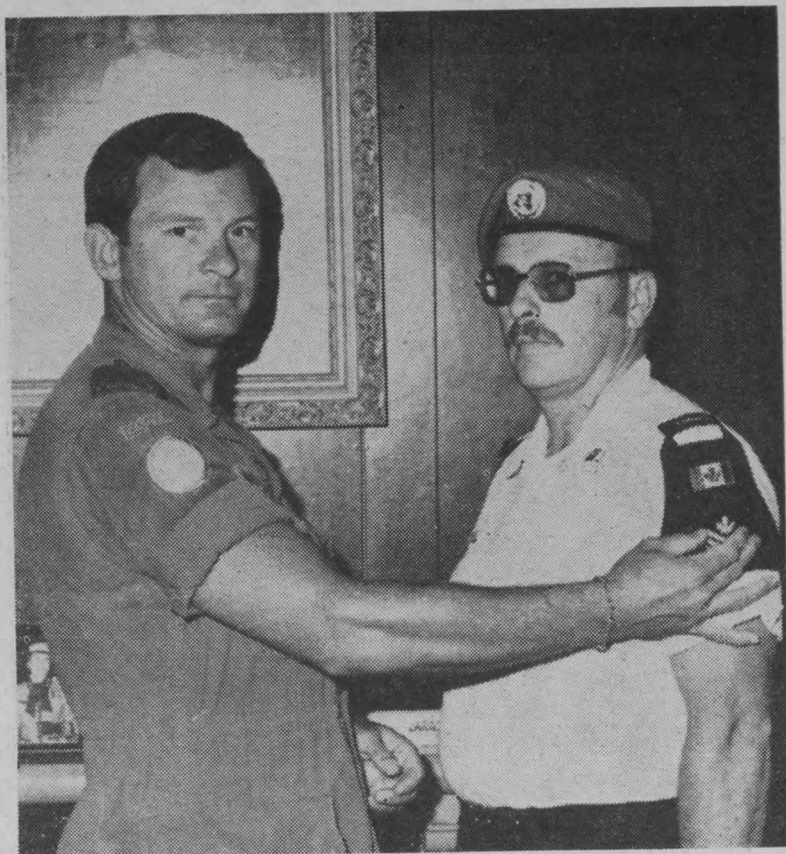


A COY MEDALS PDE - 23 AUG 78



The CO, LCol. L.W. MacKenzie, speaks briefly to the medal recipients after the presentation.

BBC ON CAPITOL HILL



PROMOTION TO SERGEANT

LCol. L.W. MacKenzie and Sgt John MacDonald, the LPO for Maintenance Platoon.

CANCON QM

Hello from the QM. Due to the Age Old Military tradition of being volunteered, this author is now writing his first editorial. I asked all the guys in the QM if they had anything to say. Two people responded; "NO COMMENT" and "GOODBYE". Maybe that is not so strange as those two gentlemen are leaving in the next two weeks.

Jack Jacquard has finished the rewarehousing of the clothing stock. He and Sgt Jerry Meade are now elbows deep into the stocktaking. The next task for Jack (he does not know it yet) is to rearrange the counter at the entrance to clothing stores. Sgt Keith (Wimp) Campbell is ramrodding the stocktaking in the Tech Sect and packing to go home. Apparently all is going well in both these operations. Gord Long is busy making preparations for a two week reunion in Sept with his wife in Lahr and Holland.

Neil (Mac) McNeil, just over a life and death struggle with the dreaded summer cold, is now back in action doing all the work. Sean McCullough, one of those departing at Trenton for Halifax, is very happy these days. He was told he's on advance. George Martin of PP & S fame reports all quiet.

Glen Holman Airhead, is preparing for the big rush of barrack boxes that will soon be coming in. So, if you are a few pounds over, he is the guy you have to be nice to.

Sgt Eric (Bang Bang) Carter is very happy. His replacement (Sgt Bruce Farmer) has arrived, and Erik is back in Canada. Both are from CFAD Angus.

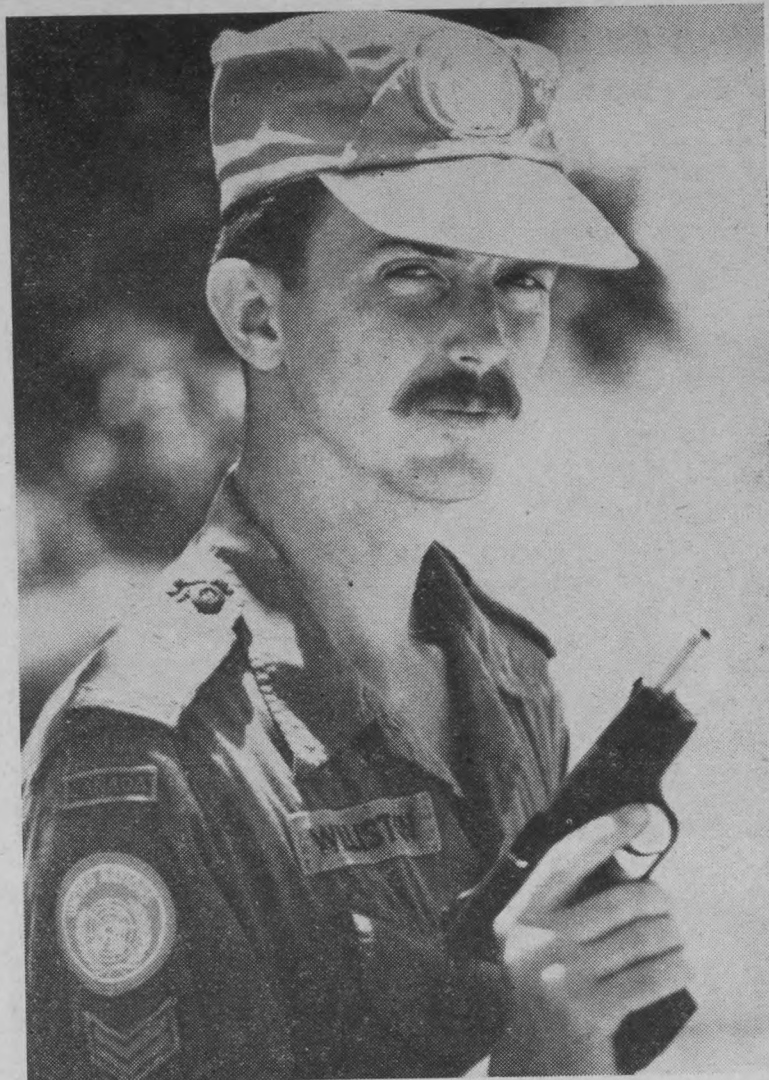
Angie, our secretary, has settled comfortably into the melee called the QM office. Sgt Keith Holstead is returning pre-advance, whatever that means. Our clerk, Dick Young, just back from Europe, has left the QM Office to handle the rotation back. Dick, you did a good job, but how could you find anything at that desk of yours?

RQ Gerry O'Hagan is all smiles after two weeks in Deutschland with his wife. I believe they had a good time. Capt Y. Pelletier is taking two weeks leave in Europe. The Island of Love needs it. This author is also taking his last week's leave off the "Rock". Remember the 911's and Main 2 away.

M.A.S.H. TEAM

Since our last article the attendance at our clinic has declined. In fact, I don't think we have put on a cast in the past two weeks. The main disease around the area at this time is rotation fever. No known medical cure has been found for this psychopathological entity.

MCpl Beauchamp has been busy of late trying to locate the main attraction that is drawing a lot of people to the washrooms. Rumor also has it that several augmentees



"SMILE WHEN YOU SAY THAT, MISTER."

Cpl Vern Williston at the UNFICYP Shooting Competition.

will be getting a few needles in the near future.

Pte Boran and his wife are presently sightseeing in Europe. MCpl Fraser has returned from Canada. Cpl Dion has returned from his all expense paid trip to Beveridge well tanned and rested.

Congratulations go out to A Coy on the winning of the softball semi-finals and finals. It is unfortunate that the companies could not field the teams that we saw during the playoffs for the entire season — as I believe that the whole league would have benefitted.

Throughout the ball season

this section was flooded with requests to have refractions done on Ward Jackson and Larry Aubin. These two gentlemen formed the basis of the umpiring for the softball league. Although on occasion their calls were questionable — thanks for all your time and effort. No Sports can be played without officials.

Remember to complete your declaration of illness soon, so that we can determine when to do your post Cyprus medical.

Good tanning and good health.



PROMOTION TO MCPL

MCpl R.D. Coolen and Maj. W.A. Dehnke.

WELFARE OFFICE HANDOUT

The Welfare Office is back in full swing again now that Heien our Zorba the Greek of the typing world, is back to work. Things won't be at full force for long however, as Cpl Duffy has already started packing his beach accessories for his upcoming leave in Limassol.

Sgt Lewis, still not fully recovered from his Germany trip, has already started counting the days until advance party leaves for home. Pte Scully, our new driver, has been doing most of his driving on the roads to the ranges where he was practicing with the battalion small arms team, and the road to the old American Club where he was playing ball with the battalion basketball team.

Captain Corry, however, has remained behind his desk working away ("with or without my crew, this ship will sail", says the Infantry captain). So fear not friends, the Welfare Office will stay afloat, at least until the end of September.

Between now and September 30th, Sgt Lewis will try to get one more scenic tour away. Captain Corry will be busy organizing the finals for basketball and Cpl Duffy and Pte Scully (when they're both around!) will be busy sending the last few people left to go on leave away safe and sound.

So until next time, here's your friendly Welfare Office saying so long and fair sailing.



"WHEN I PRESS THIS BUTTON, YOU'RE GOING TO TURN INTO A BOTTLE OF CROWN ROYAL"

CANCON BOR(E) DOIN' IT FOR YOU

As we head into our fifth month of Cyprus UN duty let it be noted that all members of the CANCON BOR Staff continue to maintain their professional standard of excellence.

First of all, may we take a few lines to welcome our new Adjutant, Capt DJ Rudd, who recently joined the Battalion after attending CLFCSC Kingston. Welcome to the Battalion Capt Rudd; enjoy your stay in Cyprus.

Also I would like to welcome MCpl Dick Young, who recently arrived from QM. Dick will be employed for the remainder of the tour as NCO IC Rotation. I think we will all agree this is a very worthwhile position.

Day to day standards in the BOR are set by our resident Chief Clerk, WO Gord Zenert, who quarterbacks his staff with the foresight of a UN Veteran. As they say, experience means a lot and two trips to sunny Cyprus speak for themselves.

Sgt Jack Weaver, our R & D Clerk, and Cpl Jim Blackstock, our Movements Clerk, continue to surprise their BOR cohorts with the expertise they display day in and day out. Is it any wonder the overall operation runs so smoothly? Both Sgt Weaver and Cpl Blackstock have completed all the repats to the end of October for all our Augmentees and patiently await their own flight. October will come early this year.

It is getting late in the tour and as of this writing only two of our people remain to take their two weeks leave. MCpl Eric Gorman and MCpl Jim Wilson plan to rectify that situation come the 24th August as they both depart for Germany. MCpl Gorman will be taking part in our 2G program and is looking forward to his European holiday, while MCpl Jim Wilson, our CR Clerk, plans to explore once again the scenic beauty of Deutschland and possibly renew old acquaintances. Have a pleasant trip and don't forget to return.

With all the activities taking place in and around CANCON, most of the people over here have found our 6 month stay to be quite rapid (the only way to do a UN tour) — what, with weekly repats, daily PT sessions, 2G travel and the day to day happenings of UNFICYP. All members of the BOR, although very happy to be returning home, will also leave behind fond memories of their 6 months on the Island of Love.

Until the next edition stay fit and remember our 2x10 milers are just around the corner. Cheers.

MOVEMENTS — NEW ARRIVAL

Greetings from your friendly movements section. Things are really beginning to pick up now that rotation is creeping up on us. Before you know it, we'll all be waving goodbye to 1 PPCLI and saying hello to 8 CH.

Sgt Angus MacLellan bid us all farewell on 10 Aug after 6 months and is now settling in to his new house nearby everyone's friendly base — Valcartier. We are all anxiously awaiting his replacement, Sgt Jack, who will be with us next week. Merry Xmas Sgt Jack. The

other members of the Staff are still slugging it out awaiting their repat dates. Capt. Primorac and Cpl Philp are forever busy with the flts on Wed and Thur, while Cpl Blackstock deserted the movements office for the friendly confines of the BOR.

All in all, the movements section is maintaining its usual high degree of professionalism and all the troops are happy. If you have any problems or questions don't hesitate to ask. Till then — Cheers.



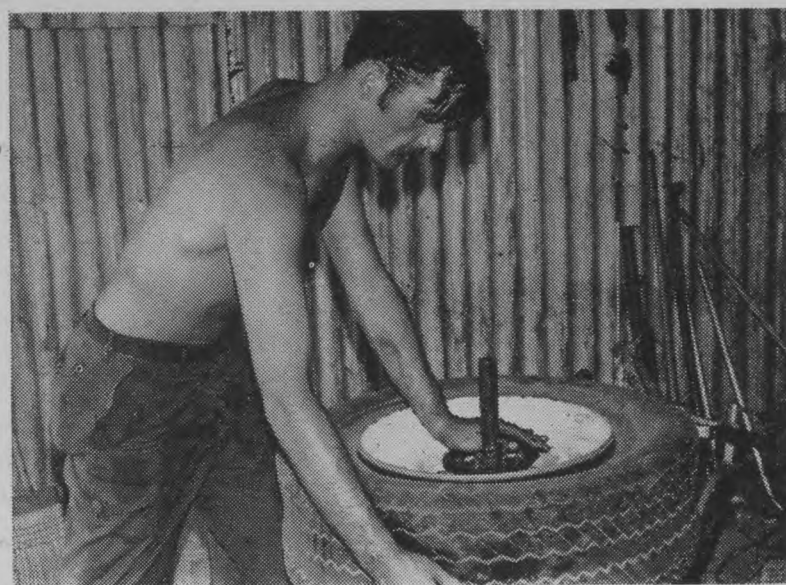
"IS THERE REALLY A KANGAROO IN THAT BOX?"



LOG COY FEATURES THE HEAVY HAMMER



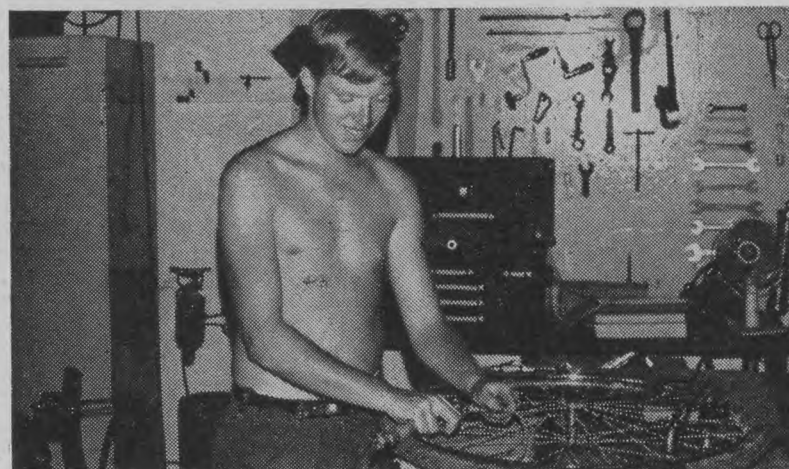
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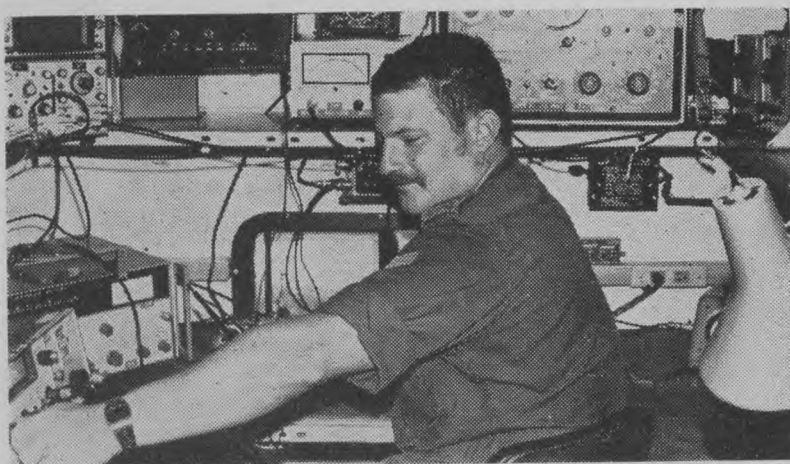
Cpl McQueen: "TIRES, TIRES, AND MORE TIRES".



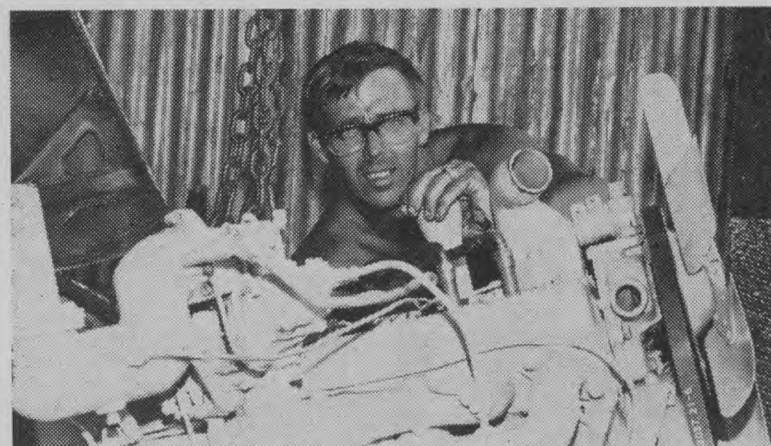
Cpl Hinch: "MAYBE I COULD GET A JOB AT CANADIAN TIRE"



CPL McNICHOL'S BIKE SHOP (and weapons section)



Cpl Landry: "I THINK I JUST GOT SESAME STREET"



MCpl Rector: "YOU JUST DROPPED IT ON MY THUMB!"



Cpl Blagrove, ELM tech., says a prayer for the steam jeanie.



Pte Sonnenberg: VEH SECTION

THANK GOD I'M A COUNTRY BOY!

B COY AT CML

B COY SPORTS

Greetings sports fans, this is your latest sports report from the bunch on the mount — Big Bee Coy. It's that time of the year again; not Christmas time; not even rotation time; — it's league playoff time!

Following the completion of a successful baseball season, in which Bee captured second place, we were well prepared for the post-season play. In the semi-finals, Big Bee was matched against heavy HQ Coy. Behind the powerful pitching of Cpl "Shakey" Strople, Bee steamrollered HQ 10—4. On to the finals! Unfortunately we did not fare as well and A Coy was able to squeak by for the championship.

In volleyball, the season ended on a winning note with Big Bee stopping A Coy in the final season match up. Was this an indication of things to come since the semi-finals had us against A. The first game of the best of five looked indeed like a continuation of the final league game. Big Bee pummeled A

15—1. Lady Luck then stepped in. A Coy got all the good and Bee got all the bad. A Coy was able to squeeze by in the next three games to win this semi-final round and advance to the final.

Bee's bouncing basketball boys continue to hone their skills. Pte Moriarity and Paul have even taken time out from their busy training schedule to play with the CANCON team in the UNFICYP basketball tournament on 10 — 11 Aug.

In other sporting events, a team from Bee Coy headed by Pte Popp attended an orienteering competition in Dhekelia. Unfortunately, with not enough time to prepare, the team did not win. With more preparation time, I'm sure we could have done better. But the participation was a good experience for the participants.

Well, that's all to report on the Bee Coy sports front. My next report will wrap up the league playoffs; so until then sports fans remember, Watch the Sting!

FIGHTING FOUR

Well folks, here we are again, back in the news. Fighting Four is back on the line manning the extreme western end of the UNPA after 12 days on reserve, soaking up the sun and the surf, along with a little dust. During our stint on reserve, members of the platoon learned a couple of lessons. The first being that drinking and walking may be hazardous to your health as Pte (J.C.) Trombley and Pte (Grizz) Aastrom belatedly discovered. The second was that sliding down a rope hand over hand out of a whirlwind helicopter can be a warm experience if you slip, as our resident "Polish Prince" MCpl Zubkowski & his crew can confirm. The "Ranger", Sgt Walker and "Fearless Freddie" (Lt Fredrickson) made sure that everyone is now capable of surviving for at least 2 minutes in the water.

BOOKER'S BOMBERS

Hello again from the fighting Five Platoon. Aug saw us getting off reserve platoon and once again we man the line. A few people have found themselves making the odd extra trip to manned and unmanned OPs with the task of cleaning windows and just plain old general maintenance. It gives the boys on OP extra company and makes the time go by a little more quickly.

Five platoon has seen the last of 'Lay Back' Ledden until we return to Calgary as the short

During our last week on reserve, the "Ranger" and Pte "Marathon Man" McIntyre departed the Isle of Love for two restful weeks in Germany. About this time, Pte "Underdrive" Gaston returned from his pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Pte "Popcorn" Pottie from his liquid tour of Baden. What a way to see Germany, eh Popcorn?

Recently, Pte "Timmy" Gallagher has taken a great liking to the local wildlife. Apparently Timmy is on intimate relations with the scorpions at C-65. "Drummy" (Sgt Point) couldn't believe his ears when Timmy volunteered for extra shifts at C-65. Well folks, that's all for this time, except to say good luck to Pte Gresty and Blank, the "OK Corral Shotgun Twins", who are off to England on a date with a draft tap. (To keep their tonsils from dehydrating, they say). England will never be the same.

timer has wimped out and returned to Canada to attend the Adv Sniper Course in Gagetown. Good Luck, Les.

Sgt Bob Cameron finally got his section organized in time to go on leave. Bob, hopefully, is doing what comes natural just about now.

Pte's Popp, Kelly and Kohinski of five platoon made a good showing at the UNFICYP orienteering competition.

That's all for now; catch you in the next edition.



"I'M PRACTISING TO BE AN ANGEL; WHAT THE HECK DO YOU THINK I'M DOING?"

Pte Larry Moriarity strikes again.

SUPER SIX PLATOON

Now just what could there possibly be to write about in Cyprus, I thought? How about the front line action? Or the day to day dangers that crop up almost endlessly? I've yet to witness one of these bold acts of courage and total disregard for one's own safety. But then again, there was the 2X10 milers recently finished by most of the SS, led by Lt. Harrison. All came through the gruelling course remarkably although they were soaked from head to foot due to the heat. Then there was Pte Thivierge who insisted on peeling all the skin from the bottom of both feet on the first ten miler. He will be blessed with a chance to do them over again. (A rare opportunity that very few have). After each ten miler there was beer laid on from the platoon fund. Cpl Hamilton, Cpl Skibinsky, Pte Volek and Pte Staple must have lost a lot of body fluids during the march because they sure were trying hard to replace it.

I can't forget the trip to Nissi

Beach which turned out to be a cooked lobster contest. It was a first place tie between many of the contestants, however Ptes Schenkeveld and Simson really came into the pink.

New comers to the SS are Ptes Desmarais and La Bonte. Pte La Bonte claims no relation to any previous or present La Bonte in the battalion.

With WO Stott on leave we have Sgt Turbide filling in who claims he has 8 years to make WO. So why not practice? After all, practice does make perfect and he's been doing a fine job. Being reserve platoon can become pretty busy with all those shifts to be filled in for the under staffed (?) platoons. But once again the SS rises to the occasion in the never-ending battle of keeping the peace and doing it The PATRICIA Way!

Well that's all from Super Six and remember the old chinese saying "He who not know who he is talking to get knife in back".

CML SGTS' AND WOS' MESS

From the hill!

Congratulations to Sgt Bakke on his promotion. Well done Ken.

WO Peter Stott and Sgt Doug Walker are now in Germany, enjoying themselves I'm sure. I wonder how Peter made out at the warehouse? I understand he wanted a 40 oz of Heinz Ketchup, tax free yet. Really Peter!

On the 29th of July we hosted the BBC Senior NCO's and had a games nite; all had a good time. Bob "Tiger" Cameron made sure the evening was kept alive. By the way Tiger, I think you got your point across. The PMC, WO Frank Legge, was pleased with a good turn out and a special thanks to our cook Sgt Ken (L) Peverelle (08) for an excellent spread, and also for his help with the Moose Milk.

A lot of us had the "opportunity" to do 2x10 miles a few

weeks back, and this year WO Legge & Drummy were assigned the task of bringing up the rear and watching out for stragglers; so they both watched each other!

CSM Reid went to Limassol "to get away from it all" and CQ "Scratch Tom Pelkey" assumed A/CSM for the week in his absence.

We would also like to welcome Sgt Smitty who recently joined us after an excellent showing at Bisley, England. Smitty got himself all kinds of shooting medals for his efforts. Well done! There is only one thing though, Smitty. Those 51 pattern blue shorts you are wearing are not the original SK 103036. You see Smitty, we burned those! We've got another pair for you to see if you can take a hint! We'll say goodbye for now. If in the area, come in and say "hi".

MCPLS MESS (HOLE IN THE WALL GANG)

As we sit here with cold beers in the cool "Hole in the wall", we thought we would take the time to drop a line.

Due to the extra-ordinary turn out and unusual happenings of our games night with the Senior NCOs from BBC and CML, we would like to share them with you.

Because of baffling hand signals and blows exchanged under the table, WO Legge and partner Sgt Johansen rose and suppressed everyone to become the eucher champs, after they staggered away with two very large jugs of wine.

MCPL White used his talent to defeat himself and his partner 'Bud-the-Spud' Burke, while Sgt Lewis and his unknown partner watched awestruck. Gizzy Hill and his partner Bynky Bynkoski were out of the running after the first game (next time they will get together and use the "same" hand signals).

CSM "Jaws" Carol and fast Jack Alders were bumped out of

the running just when they thought they had it sewed up. By the way "Jaws", the logs above the bar are reserved for members only; so we are going to paint over yours.

The booze flowed freely when the winner of the 50/50 draw, CSM "Squeaky" Reid, sometimes known as "Pinky", put his winnings on the bar which made for more fun and frolic for all.

Bud-the-spud Burke beat W.O. Legge to his knees in Foosball, but everyone watching knows it was because he kept slipping on the empty wine jug rolling at his feet.

The big event coming up next is an all ranks casino night on 19 Aug; hope you can make it. For more info, drop into the "Hole in the wall" for a cold beer and great company. One last comment for you who were laughing at that dopey MCPL; don't laugh too hard as we have our eyes on a second air-conditioner.

LEDRA JRC (LIFE IN THE ZOO)

Here we are again! With all that's going on, one hardly finds free time to sit down and write, but if I must, I must.

With way too much free time on his hands, Pte "Grunt" Evans seems to spend all his time in the Club acquiring all the honours in the Inner-Club competitions. Not only is he still the all-time champ in that highest score on the pinball machine, but he recently became the man to beat in pool. Little does he know that the £10,000 he won as first prize will be spent in paying customs duties on his trophy and wall rug. Go ahead and grunt, Grunt...

Speaking about winning, Pte "Butch" Hannan hasn't had to touch his pay in the last month as he is still winning a small average of £35,000 a week on those wierd bingo machines. Give the guys a chance at the

machines Champ!!

Due to the change in getting paid (every two weeks now), a member of the Club was seen picking up empty pop bottles, begging for change; and actually licking empty glasses in order to get a drink... No names, but just ask Pte "I want to be PMC" Charlie Nelson; he knows. In an effort to get members off his back, the Treasurer, good old faithful Mickie Ward, was convinced to split up our maximum for Happy Hours into two different nights. Now Charlie takes Weds and Sats off from his hunts for any refundable pop bottles... I didn't mention any names did I Ralph??

As always, stag films are in great demand. Every Friday, (when available) the PMC puts on his green checkered hat, his long green overcoat, his green rubber shoes and his green fa-



PLOTING SHEEP MIGRATIONS
Pte Joe Crowley and Pte Cam Burns at C-46 (OP ROYAL)



Pte C. Paul at the Nicosia Stadium.

cial disguise and sneaks (hops) these educational films on base without getting caught by Cpl "Investigator" Greenwood. It would seem that Pte Louis Duchesne and "I can't stand cold showers anymore" Cooper have a perversion with the one particular film with the pony in it. Heated negotiations are still in progress with Pte "CP, your number please" Blunden and Pte "Pass the puck Jacques" Holmes, the co-owners of the film. Let it be known (on his request) that Pte "Cherry Boy Leger goes to confession every Saturday morning now-a-days.

A good and safe return to Canada is wished to Cpl Steve Mockford, our ex-VPAC, who just recently returned to Canada. Finally got out of the VPAC's job, eh??? Was it that bad Steve that you had to volunteer for that God-awful course... Advanced Spinner? Some people will do anything to leave this "Island of Love" Hopefully with Steve, Cpl "Regimental Wine Taster" Don Sillers, Cpl "No I'm not a Pollack" Mrozinski, and Pte "Stan the Man" Stapleford back in Canada, they'll know well enough to have all the girls waiting for us at the airport. Don, please leave Darlene Crowchild home!!!

It would seem (nobody's telling) that the RSM is on the prowl for one of our most popular and unique T-shirts. But the Ledra Palace Cpl/Pte's Club isn't about to give them away unless it is a Cpl or Pte. Pte "RSM-Minor" Howard, the RSM'S driver, has yet to convince the RSM that the reason he can't give one away is because he only has one!!! He actually has a closet full. You'll never make a Cpl that way, Howie!!!

With the great success of our last Canadian/British night at our Ledra Palace Cpl/Pte's Club, we get our chance to show the Brits some of our stuff on 19 Aug 78. With Ptes Rick Millman, Jim Thurston and Derreck McClinchey going, some British soldiers will walk around their camp in a daze for some time after... (because of their well-behaved manners of course!).

In ending, if all members of our Cpl/Pte's Club take advantage of all the activities and tournaments organized for Aug, they'll wonder where Aug went. A Standing invitation still stands for all Cpls and Ptes of any contingent to come in for an ice cold beer and relax in our nice spacious air-conditioned zoo.